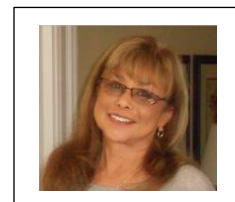


Candidate for National Secretary

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I, Nina Schloffel, am announcing my candidacy for re-election to the office of AVVA National Secretary.

While I am not a veteran, my family has a long history of service to our country. My grandfather and father each retired from the U.S. Navy and my brother is a Naval Academy graduate. The family tradition continues with two nephews, both graduates of the Air Force Academy, who currently serve in the U.S. military.

Prior to becoming the current AVVA National Secretary, I was a chapter representative and the California state secretary. Subsequent to those offices, I held the offices of California state vice president, then California state president. I continue to serve veterans, and our organization, on a number of AVVA and VVA chapter, state and national committees. These include chair of AVVA's National Secondary PTSD Committee, co-chair of the National Disciplinary Committee and chair of California's Secondary PTSD Committee.

I retired from the telecommunications industry in 2000. In my 31 years with SBC/ATT, I held various management and supervisory positions. As a supervising manager, I developed budgets and learned to work within their constraints. I also wrote system and operational practices, and developed training. However, the most rewarding job I had was developing the skills of my employees. As National Secretary, I mentor and counsel other board members, as well as, the members of my respective committees. I do not take these responsibilities lightly, and they are responsibilities that I am gratified to fulfil.

During my tenure as AVVA National Secretary, I have been privileged to work with an effective and dedicated board. Together, we have initiated or expanded a number of successful programs. However, proposed changes in AVVA's relationship with VVA require that we do more than just continue with our good works. To remain viable, AVVA must evolve.

As your National Secretary, I believe that I have served competently and with honor. I further believe that I have the skills, and the commitment necessary to promote AVVA's successful transition into the future. I am asking for your vote so that as your National Secretary I may continue to serve you and the organization in ensuring AVVA's continued success.

Thank you for considering my candidacy.

Nina Schloffel

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Personal Information:

- Married to Veteran Barry Schloffel, U.S. Air Force 1963 – 1969. Vietnam service, Thon Son Hut Air Base, Saigon 1968-1969
 - Blended Family: Six sons, one daughter, eleven grandsons and one great-grandson

Higher Education:

- Chabot College, Hayward, CA
- University of San Francisco, San Francisco, CA

Work History:

- Telecommunications Industry - Business Office Supervisor, Operations Manager, Systems Design, Maintenance and End User Support Manager: 1969 - 2000 (Pacific Telephone, Pacific Telesis, and Southwest Bell)
- Telecommunications Systems Design, Consultant: 2001 (Southwest Bell)
- Training, Consultant: 2001- 2002 (Transportation Security Administration)
- Systems Development and End User Training, Consultant: 2002 - 2005 (Kaiser Permanente)

Volunteer History:

- Moreau Catholic High School Parent Teacher Group, - Fundraising Committee, Committee Chair/Co-Chair – Moreau H.S. Annual Golf Tournament (3 years)
- Mountain Women’s Resource Center - Certified Peer Counselor, Crisis Line Volunteer, Domestic Abuse/Rape Emergency Response Team, Fundraising Committee
- Habitat for Humanity – Family Selection Committee, Homeowner Support Committee: Committee Chair, Training Development and Delivery Lead, Family Liaison
- Community Collaborative Coalition of Tuolumne County (Behavioral Health) – Contributing Member
- NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) – Trainee/Presenter: Ending the Silence

Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America (AVVA) History:

- AVVA Member Chapter 391: 2006 – Present (Life Member)
- Secretary, California State Association: 2007 – 2014
- AVVA Chapter Representative, Chapter 391: 2008 – 2010
- Chair/Co-Chair, National Disciplinary Committee: 2009 – Present
- Group Facilitator/Committee Chair, AVVA Secondary PTSD, California Association: 2009 - Present
- Vice President, California State Association: 2014 – 2019
- AVVA Facilitator, Secondary PTSD Support Group, Sonora, CA: 2015 - Present
- National Chair/Co-Chair, PTSD ‘2’ (Secondary PTSD) Project: 2015 - Present
- Co-Presenter PTSD ‘2’ (Secondary PTSD): 2015 Leadership and Education Conference, Tucson, AZ
- AVVA National Secretary, Pro Tem: 2016
- 2017 National Convention, New Orleans, LA
- AVVA National Secretary: 2017 - 2019
- Co-Presenter PTSD ‘2’ (Secondary PTSD): 2018 Leadership and Education Conference, Palm Springs, CA
- 2019 National Convention, Spokane, WA
- AVVA National Secretary: 2019 – Present
- President, California State Association: 2019 -2020
- Board Member, California State Association: 2020 – Present

Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America (AVVA) Awards:

- AVVA Member of the Year: 2015
- AVVA President’s Commendation Medal: 2019

Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA) Committees:

- Minority Affairs Committee, VVA California State Council: 2007 – 2014
- National PTSD and Substance Abuse Committee, AVVA Advisor: 2017 – Present
- National Minority Affairs Committee, AVVA Advisor: 2017 – Present
- PTSD Committee, VVA California State Council: 2017 – Present
- VVA California State Council Board, AVVA Advisor: 2019 - 2020